

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1 and 17 are amended and claim 2 is canceled.

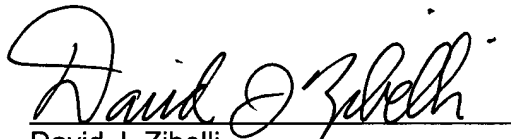
The Office Action indicates that claim 16 is allowed and that claims 2-15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if written in independent form. The subject matter of claim 2 has been incorporated into claim 1 and 17. Accordingly, it is submitted that the rejection of claim 1 and 17 under 35 USC 102 should be withdrawn.

For the above reasons, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Prompt consideration and allowance are solicited.

The Office is authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, § 1.17, or § 1.136, or credit of any overpayment, to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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